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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend the claims as follows:

3. (amended) Method according to any one of claims 1-2 [of the preceding claims], **characterised in that** laser radiation is used as the UV radiation.
- 4.(amended) Method according to any one of claims 1-2 [the preceding claims], **characterised in that** the protective layer is removed, using a pulsed excimer laser, in the metal film regions to be exposed in method step b).
5. (amended) Method according to claim 3 [one of the preceding claims], **characterised in that** a mask through which UV radiation passes is used to copy the conductive pattern onto the substrate covered with the metal film.
6. (amended) Method according to claim 1 [one of the preceding claims], **characterised in**